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FOREST DEPARTMENT.

Notification dated 2nd January 1918.

Sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, Bangalore, for the preparation and supply of 30,000 (6′×8″×4½″) teak sleepers to the department.

2. The tenders should be in the form noted hereunder superscribed "Tender for the supply of Teak Sleepers." The rate should be distinctly written in words as well as in figures.

3. Each tender should be accompanied with a deposit of Rs. 100 in currency notes which will be returned in due course in respect of rejected tenders.

4. The tenders should reach the Office of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, Bangalore, not later than Monday the 1st February 1918.

5. The Conservator of Forests does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender or to assign any reasons for rejecting any tender.

6. The sleepers should be supplied by the 1st June 1918, and in considering the tender or tenders, preference will be given to the tender or tenders which, other things being equal, offer the earliest dates for delivering, and it must be understood that punctuality constitutes an essential part of the contract.

7. The sleepers should be sawn square and smooth, measuring 6 feet in length, 8 inches in width and 4½ inches in thickness, and must be free from cracks, shakes, flaws and other defects.

8. The sleepers should be delivered at the Shimoga and Benkipur Depots, and payment would be made only for such of the sleepers as are passed by the Railway Construction Department at the Depots.

9. The contractor should fell, collect and prepare sleepers from out of the trees assigned by the Shimoga District Forest Officer in the Forest of Kumsi and in the Umblibyle and Channagiri Range Forests.

10. The successful tenderer will be required to execute an agreement within a week from the date of acceptance of his tender embodying the following conditions, failing which the earnest money deposited by him will be forfeited and the contract cancelled.

Conditions.

(1) The fellings would be conducted on coppice principles in areas laid out and assigned by the District Forest Officer for the purpose.

(2) The trees would be felled in regular consecutive order. The contractor will not be bound however to fell such trees as are in the opinion of the District Forest Officer absolutely unfit for the purpose of sleepers.

(3) The felling of trees reserved by the department as standards shall be treated as an offence.

(4) The trees shall, as far as possible, be felled flush with the ground, and in no case the stump left behind in the ground after felling should exceed 6 inches in height.

(5) From the time of felling, the timber shall be at the sole risk of the contractor who shall make his own arrangements for the protection of the same from fire, theft, wastage or damage of any kind whatsoever.

(6) The cost of felling trees, extraction of timber and preparation and carting of sleepers to the Shimoga and Benkipur Depots shall be borne entirely by the contractor.

(7) Rejected sleepers, side boards, tops and end pieces, and all portions not used for sleepers shall remain the property of Government.

(8) Every portion of a tree must, as far as possible, be converted into sleepers if suitable for the purpose without causing undue wastage.

(9) Sleepers shall not be removed from the forests until they are checked by a duly authorized officer.

(10) All removals shall be effected under cover of passports issued by a duly authorized officer and the contractor shall obtain receipts from the Depot Foresters for all deliveries made which shall thereafter be in charge of the said Depot Foresters.

(11) The contractor shall maintain a bound register in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, showing the number and other particulars of trees felled and the outturn of sleepers.

(12) The contractor shall not assign his right under this agreement or any part thereof without the written permission of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, for the time being who may however refuse to grant such permission without assigning reasons therefor.

(13) A list of agents, representatives and other employees of the contractor shall be furnished and approved of by the District Forest Officer, Shimoga.

(14) The contractor shall be responsible for the acts of himself, his agents and all persons authorized by either of them.

(15) The contractor shall take all possible care so that no damage shall be done to any standing growth in the forest which he is not entitled to fell. For any such damage, unless caused by accident or causes beyond his control, the contractor shall pay such compensation as the Conservator of Forests shall decide.

(16) In case of any fire within the forest area to which this contract applies, the contractor and his workmen shall render every assistance to put out the fire and in all such cases give immediate notices of the occurrence of fire to the nearest Forest, Revenue or police officer.

(17) In case of any dispute regarding this contract the Conservator's decision shall be final.

(18) For the due fulfilment of all and every one of the conditions of this contract, the contractor agrees for the withholding of one-tenth of the amount of his bills as security and to the forfeiture of this amount and as well as the earnest money either in whole or in part, for breach of all or any of the conditions of this contract as shall be decided by the Conservator of Forests and to the cancellation of the contract.

M. G. RAMA RAO,
Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

FORM OF TENDER.

Sir,

I offer to prepare and deliver 30,000 ($6' \times 8'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$) teak sleepers as per terms of the printed notification dated 2nd January 1918, at the Shimoga and Benkipur Depots at.....per each sleeper passed by the Railway Construction Department at the Depots and agree to the conditions therein contained.

I enclose herein currency $\frac{\text{note}}{\text{notes}}$, of the marginally noted $\frac{\text{No.}}{\text{Nos.}}$ to the value of rupees 100 only as earnest money.

Yours faithfully,

Signature.....

Address.....

Station.....

Dated.....

VACANCIES.

MYSORE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE, EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Dated 26th December 1917.

SUPERINTENDENT FOR HOME INDUSTRIES.

Wanted a Superintendent for the Cottage and Home Industries Institute, Mysore. Pay Rs. 100 to 150 according to qualifications. Preference will be given to candidates with technical knowledge of Home Industries and with good business habits and commercial experience. The applications should reach the Secretary, Education Committee, before the 20th January 1918.

By Order,
V. SUBRAHMANYA IYER,
Secretary.